

NERVOUS HUNS STRIKE BLINDLY AGAINST STEEL WALL OF FRANCE

Attempting To Learn Petain's
Plans For Offensive They Know
Is Coming—Crown Prince Still
Drives His Men To Slaughter

MONKEY HILL CENTER OF BLOODY MELEES

British and Belgian Guns In Flanders
Grow Busier and Their
Thunder May Presage Another
Drive In the General Advance

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

FRENCH ARMY HEAD-QUARTERS, June 24—There are plenty of indications along the French front that the Germans are getting nervous over the situation, appreciating the fact that the French are preparing to make another smash at the German line and uncertain where the blow is to fall.

Von Hindenburg is making a series of feelers along the line from Verdun to Laon, the net results of which are thousands of German casualties, with the French preparations completely masked and the French lines still intact.

Made Temporary Gain
One of the chief efforts of the German general staff has been to breach the French lines between Vaux and Aillon, and at this point large forces of picked men have been completely masked and the French lines still intact.

French Came Back
The French appreciated the importance of the position as much as the Germans, and counter attacked four times, the last effort being crowned with success. In the first fighting at this point, the Germans took three hundred prisoners, but lost more than that when the position was recaptured.

Yesterday, along the Chemin des Dames sector there was heavy firing with the big guns throughout the day, but no infantry fighting. The artillery duels were particularly severe south of Etilan and in the regions of Croisilles and Ailette, where the fighting was particularly bitter. For reasons hard to explain, the Germans are maintaining their shelling of Rheims, an empty city from which the inhabitants have been withdrawn for weeks and in which there are no French military forces beyond the street guards. Yesterday the Germans threw twelve hundred shells into the city, doing large property damage but inflicting not a particle of military damage.

There was an increase in the volume of Allied fire in the artillery bombardment of the Germans in Belgium yesterday, particularly at Dixmude, Pysgalle, Steenstrate and Het Sas, to which the German guns made only perfunctory reply.

On the Serbian front, General Sarrail reports, there have been several skirmishes between the British and Bulgars, with some heavy artillery duels in the Vardar River Valley and in the Cerma Bend.

The Berlin dispatches regarding the recent fighting in France report that early on Friday morning the forces under the Crown Prince stormed and captured French positions on the Chemin des Dames sector, the attackers maintaining their gains on a front of a kilometer and a half and to a depth of five hundred meters, notwithstanding three violent counter attacks on the part of the French, who lost heavily in their repulses and who were forced to yield three hundred prisoners. French attacks made at Mont Carnillet and Vaux Aillon were repulsed, says Berlin.

IRISH AGITATOR IN TROUBLE IN NEW YORK

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
NEW YORK, June 24—James Larkin, the Dublin labor leader, who is reported to be endeavoring to secure backing here among laborers for an extensive anti-draft campaign, appeared in the police court here yesterday, accused of speaking against the draft at a meeting on Friday night. Larkin pleaded not guilty and his case went over for trial.

DESTROYER SAVES CREW OF FREIGHTER

Arrives In Time To Make Rescue
But Does Not Sight Sub-
marine—Other Disaster

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
NEW YORK, June 24—Despatches from the destroyer fleet base tell of an American destroyer speeding to the rescue of a merchantman which had been torpedoed. The destroyer saw that the merchantman was in distress and arrived in time to rescue the crew. It did not sight the submarine, however.

An American freighter which arrived at an American port yesterday brings news of a fight with a submarine near Genoa on June 6. The freighter, escaped by maneuvering quickly, the torpedo missing the ship by twenty feet.

The submarine was seen at 500 yards distance and was about this far off when the torpedo was launched. The freighter's stern gun turned loose on the diver, four shots being fired. The second carried away the periscope and the last shot made a direct hit on the spot where the submarine dived.

London yesterday reported that the Norwegian steamer Lantana had been torpedoed by a submarine and sunk.

AMERICAN NAVY IS IN SOUTH ATLANTIC

Arrival In Rio of Rear-Admiral
Caperton Is Reported

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
WASHINGTON, June 24—Despatches from Rio de Janeiro, received last evening, tell of the arrival there of Rear Admiral Caperton and staff, and say that he was greeted with high honors.

It is evident from these despatches that an American fleet is now patrolling South Atlantic waters, thus relieving the French and British vessels which have been performing that duty. That the American Navy is already performing its part in the war becomes evident from the meager information as to its whereabouts that occasionally filters out.

RED CROSS WORKERS ARE URGED TO HASTE

Returns Saturday Are Small and
Twenty Millions Needed

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
WASHINGTON, June 24—Managers of the Red Cross campaign to raise a hundred million dollars have been requested by the general committee to speed up. The reports received yesterday added only three millions to the previous total. Last night it had passed eighty millions of dollars.

With twenty million dollars still to be raised the committee felt the need of urging haste and last night messages were sent to all managers telling them of the present deficiency and the need for redoubled efforts to swell the fund.

PRINCE VON BUELOW HOPES FOR PEACE

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
PARIS, June 23—News from Zurich, Switzerland, says that Prince von Buelow, the noted German diplomat, now resident in Switzerland, in response to birthday greetings expressed the hope that the coming year will bring a German peace with compensations and indemnities which will enable Germany immediately to resume her position as before the war.

MOLLA BJURSTEDT REACHES FINALS

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
PHILADELPHIA, June 24—Miss Molla Bjurstedt, national woman tennis champion, went to the finals in the women's national tennis championship play here yesterday by defeating Marion Waudhoefer.

MAN WANTED FOR GIRL MURDER IS ARRESTED

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
BOLOGNA, Italy, June 22—Alfredo Cecchi, wanted in New York for the murder of Ruth Cruger, the girl whose body was found buried in the cellar of his bicycle shop, was arrested here today. Cecchi asserts that he is innocent and will fight extradition. He declares he knew the Cruger girl only two days before her disappearance and that he left America for domestic reasons.

American Airmen Dare Hun Flyers To Give Battle

Adjutant Lufbery Sends His
Tenth Machine Down With
Its Occupant Dead

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
HEADQUARTERS, FRANCE, AMY, June 24—Fifty-first of the American aviators in the Lafayette Escadrille have been patrolling over the German lines, inviting the German aviators to dispute their mastery of the air. The Americans have flown back and forth, far within the German positions.

Between the tenth and the sixteenth, nineteen battles have been fought in which one or more of the American flyers have taken part, and in the great majority of these the American flyers have either driven their foes back or shot or smashed their machines and sent them whirling to the earth.

Adjutant R. C. Lufbery, who has made a famous record, was one of those whose challenge was accepted by a German, who paid for his daring the penalty of his life. This was the tenth machine Lufbery has downed so far. His previous record work aloft has already won him the British military medal for bravery. The machines of the Lafayette Escadrille have been distinctively marked since the American declaration of war and now carry an Indian's head in colors as the insignia of the corps.

DISCARD SKIRTS AND GET TO WORK

Chicago Women Tackle Places in
a Lumberyard and Make Good

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
CHICAGO, June 24—Grinning and betrouse, a group of women yesterday marched to work in one of the lumberyards in a Chicago suburb. The women are strong and healthy and have undertaken to perform men's work around the lumberyard for men's pay.

There were fifty women in the group, selected from amongst five hundred women who answered the "Help Wanted" advertisement of the lumber yard. Eventually, if these fifty make good, this yard will cease its working staff of women until two hundred are employed. There is a great shortage of men laborers, which promises to become more acute as the war demands increase, and it is the intention of many Chicago employers to substitute women wherever possible.

TEACHER WHO SHOT ACCUSER WILL LIVE

Victim's Husband Attends Wife's
Funeral and Declines To Talk

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
WAUKESHA, Wisconsin, June 24—Mrs. David Roberts, who was killed by Grace Lusk, a school teacher, was buried yesterday. The husband attended the funeral but he steadfastly declines to talk of the case. Miss Lusk is now out of danger and practically certain to recover, her physicians say.

Grace Lusk shot and killed Mrs. Roberts because the latter had accused her of undue intimacy with David Roberts and refused to withdraw the accusation. The teacher then barricaded herself in a room and when she found she could not escape the police, shot herself.

HAVANA IS SHAKEN BY BIG EXPLOSION

Powder Magazine Blows Up and
Two Are Killed

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
HAVANA, June 24—As the result of an explosion of a powder magazine in Casanas fortress two men were killed and many others injured, some perhaps fatally.

The explosion yesterday shook the entire city and the nearby country, and for a time there was wild alarm as the report spread that a bomb had been exploded in the street. This quieted down, however, when the true facts were learned.

SPEECH OF RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR SETS CONGRESS WILD

Joint Session of House and Senate
Stirred To High Pitch of
Enthusiasm By Declaration of
Special Emissary That Separate
Peace Is An Impossibility

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
WASHINGTON, June 24—No previous incident of the war has caused so great enthusiasm in congress as did the utterance of Special Ambassador Bukharineff of Russia yesterday. It occurred at a joint session of senate and house that he was addressing and the legislators went wild. The ambassador was applauded to the echo and the assembly rose to its feet and gave round after round of wild and prolonged cheers.

The joint session of yesterday was held to hear from the Russian special ambassador. He pledged new Russia to devotion to the cause of democracy against autocracy, and the climax came when he said, "With all emphasis let me say, and let there be no mistake about it, Russia rejects any idea of a separate peace. She is in this war for the cause of true democracy and she is in the war to stay until the victory is won. A separate peace between the Central Powers and Russia is an impossibility." This was the utterance that brought members of both houses up standing in one of the wildest scenes that there has been in the historic capital in many years.

SLAVS READY TO ADVANCE AGAIN

Reports From Russia Agree That
Army Will Soon Resume
Its Offensive

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
NEW YORK, June 24—Official and unofficial despatches from Russia indicate that there will soon be more important fighting on the eastern front, with the Slavs again on the offensive. The Russian army has seemingly regained its morale, with reestablished discipline in the ranks and is now almost ready for the attack. The army, it is believed, cannot much longer resist the general demand that there shall be no further delay in carrying out the general plans of the Entente, which have been based upon the assumption of an aggressive Russia against the Austrians, Turks and Germans.

Marked improvement has taken place in the past few days in the Russian situation, generally. The improvement is apparent throughout Russia, despite the sporadic anarchy. Growing resentment is evident against the extremists and the pacifists who are attempting to keep Russia out of active war or even to influence settlement for a separate peace. Would Dissolve Duma.

The Pan-Russian congress, composed of deputies, soldiers and workmen, today passed resolutions to dissolve the Council of Empire and eliminate the Duma.

The Russian soldiers favoring active fighting have formed "storming units" with the object of leading attacks. They are wearing red and black armlets to distinguish them from other soldiers. The idea is spreading like wild fire and it is predicted the whole army will join.

Reports from Petrograd last night state that the council of soldiers and workmen at Voronezh have arrested Archbishop Tikhon and have sent him a prisoner to the Russian capital.

Another report states that the Ukraine local assembly has asked the province an independent state.

AUSTRIAN MUNITION FACTORY BLOWS UP

Explosion In Bloewg Plant
Causes Heavy Loss
of Life

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
AMSTERDAM, June 23—One hundred and thirty-six persons are dead, 170 missing and 625 injured as the result of a terrible explosion in a munitions plant at Bloewg, Austria, according to an announcement made in the Austrian parliament by the minister of defense.

JAPAN OFFERS ITS HELP IN REORGANIZATION WORK

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
COPENHAGEN, June 23—Finnish newspapers say that Japan has made an offer to Russia to assist the Slav leaders in the reorganization of the Russian government and army.

Portuguese Wipe Out German Patrol In Northern France

Announcement of Brisk Engage-
ment Is First Knowledge of
Presence of These Forces

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
LONDON, June 24—Yesterday the Portuguese troops holding a section of the British line, south of Arrmentieres in Northern France, fought a brisk action with a German patrol, which had ventured across on a raiding expedition.

Not one man of the Tenth forces escaped to return to his own lines. A majority of them were killed by the Portuguese fire, while the rest were captured and sent to the rear as prisoners.

This announcement from the war office last night was the first intimation to the British public that any Portuguese troops were operating on the north on the West front. That they have been with the French on the Aisne has been known for some months.

NEW YORK POLICEMEN INVOLVED IN SCANDAL

Motorcycle Officers Charged
With Grafting On Motorists

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
NEW YORK, June 24—It is reported that at least a dozen new motorcycle policemen will be suspended as an outgrowth of that which has developed from the Cechi case. The investigation yesterday developed that many motorists have been made victims of a system of petty graft and falsification of records in connection with arrests for speeding and other violations of the traffic ordinances.

Cechi is believed to have been the go between for the accused officers, the man who would approach motorists who had been arrested and make the offer of a compromise for a consideration.

Despatches from Bologna yesterday said that Cechi had confessed to the murder of Ruth Cruger. He is said to have broken down completely and given all the details of how he killed the girl and buried the body in the cellar below his shop.

He says he killed her in a fit of furious jealousy because she spurned his advances.

"Now I feel relieved, freed of the nightmare which has tortured my conscience," he declared. "I am ready to suffer the penalty for my act."

SO-CALLED AMERICANS QUOTED BY GERMANS

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
COPENHAGEN, June 23—German newspapers are printing despatches from the Socialist congress at Stockholm in which there are quoted statements by "The American Goldfarb, Reinsteins and Davidovitch," to the effect that the entry of the United States into the war is the work of Wall Street. The German newspapers fail to explain that the quoted are not Americans and are not even naturalized citizens.

NATIONAL RECRUIT DRIVE GIVEN START

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
WASHINGTON, June 23—The "National Recruit Drive" for 70,000 regulars to be added to the army in one week begins today. Next will be full enlistment of the national guard organizations, and after that the operation of the federal draft impartially.

IMPORTS DURING MAY ESTABLISH RECORD

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
WASHINGTON, June 23—The department of commerce announces that May imports amount to \$281,000,000, the highest month on record. The exports reached \$251,000,000.

RED CROSS WILL DO WORK FOR RUSSIANS

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
WASHINGTON, June 23—The American Red Cross, it was announced today, plans to do mission work behind the Russian fronts similar to that of the Belgian relief activity.

CHICAGO COUNCIL TO IMPEACH MAYOR

Charge Executive With Machine
Political Methods In Deal-
ing With Two Bodies

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
CHICAGO, June 24—Following a meeting of the city council yesterday the judiciary committee announced that it will consider on Monday a resolution for the impeachment of William Hale Thompson, the mayor. The state attorney says that in his opinion there are grounds for impeachment in the actions of Mayor Thompson toward the council and the school board.

The session of yesterday was a stormy one and approached a small sized riot in appearance. Books were thrown at the mayor and he was knocked and hissed and berated. At the meeting the resolution for impeachment was presented. He is charged with using machine politics and with arrogance in the administration of his office in connection with school board and city council.

Prominent citizens asked Thompson to resign but last night he told an Associated Press reporter that he would not do so and that any talk of his tendering his resignation was a "joke."

AUSTRIAN TERMS OF PEACE REPORTED

Dual Monarchy Still In Midst of
Political Crisis, Reduces
Sizes of Her Demands

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
LONDON, June 23—The unofficial announcement of the terms of peace which Austria is prepared to extend as made yesterday, show a marked falling off in the demands of the Dual Monarchy. The announcement was made yesterday immediately following a report that the new premier, Cham Mary, had failed utterly in the task of forming a new cabinet and has asked the emperor to call a new prime minister and delegate the labor of organizing the government afresh.

The Austrian terms of peace have been made public, according to despatches from Copenhagen. They propose a customs union in the Balkans, while Austria shall share with Serbia and Montenegro, the autonomy of Albania under Austrian suzerainty and oversight, and a better military frontier between Italy and Austria.

They also propose that Rumania must open the Danube river for Austrian commerce.

CALLING OF GUARD WILL BE DELAYED

War Department Wishes To Give
All Officers Fair Show

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
WASHINGTON, June 23—It is believed that the war department will defer calling out the national guard until August 1, instead of in three classes, as was first planned. It has been pointed out that to call out portions of the guard would be unfair to the officers summoned to the colors last, as they would then be ranked by others of similar grade who had been fortunate enough to belong to the commands that were called out first. For this reason and for others, it has been decided to summon the guard to duty with the federal army all at the same time so that there may be no distinction.

HEAT AND FIRES IN GERMANY HURT CROPS

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
COPENHAGEN, June 23—The intense heat in Germany continues. The crops are being badly damaged by the heat and forest fires. German papers are printing sensational tales of prisoners of war engaging in arson, crop destruction and sabotage, or wrecking in the factories, as well as of infecting the cattle with disease, and alleged gigantic conspiracy.

AMERICAN DOCTORS DOING VALUABLE WORK IN FRANCE

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, June 23—American doctors and nurses who have taken charge of six British field hospitals are doing valuable service and their work has been especially effective during the great Messines battle.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (tablets). Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. The signature of E. W. GROVE is on each box. Manufactured by the PARIS MEDICINE CO., St. Louis, U. S. A.

HOUSE PASSES FOOD CONTROL BILL AND ONLY FIVE DISSENT

Measure Prohibits Use of Food
Stuffs For Manufacture of In-
toxicants and Gives President
Power To Seize Liquor Stocks

BROAD AUTHORITY IS GIVEN TO EXECUTIVE

Feed Stuffs and Fuel As Well As
Food Are Placed Under Presi-
dential Control and \$15,000,-
000 Appropriated To Enforce

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, June 24—By a vote of three hundred and sixty-five to five the house of representatives last evening passed the Food Control Bill. The five who went on record against it were McLemore, Slayden and Young of Texas, Meeker of Missouri and Ward of New York. An appropriation of \$15,250,000 is contained in the bill for its enforcement.

As passed by the house broad authority is given to the President. He will have control not of food alone but of feed stuffs and fuel as well.

Drastic prohibition provisions were finally written into the bill. Following hours of hot fighting parliamentary tactics were employed by the opponents of such provisions and again and again they had such provisions thrown out on points of order which they raised and which were sustained by Chairman Hamlin of the committee of the whole. Among these was the Webb amendment to empower the President to take over all stocks of liquor in the United States. Ultimately a similar provision carried and is embodied in the bill.

The provision which prohibits the use of food stuffs in the manufacture of liquors was finally passed after heated debate by a vote of 132 to 114.

The other provision was to give the President authority to take over, in his discretion, all stocks of distilled liquors for the use of the war. This was inserted as a means to overcome the objection to the clause which prohibits the use of food stuffs in manufacture of intoxicants. It was urged that there are large stocks of liquor in the United States, much now in the government bonded warehouses. That the other provision would close the distilleries and the breweries and the country would be turned from the use of beer and light wines to the distilled liquors in stock with their high percentages of alcohol.

According to a report made by the commissioner of internal revenue there was used in the year which ended June 30, 1916 in the manufacture of distilled spirits more than thirty-two million bushels of corn, three million bushels of rye, four million bushels of malt and one hundred and fifty-two million gallons of molasses, besides small quantities of wheat, oats and other materials. Some of the molasses is not edible but it could be used in the manufacture of denatured alcohol and quantities of this will be required in the manufacture of ammunition.

The department of agriculture from figures secured in the office of the commissioner of internal revenue gives the following figures on the materials which go into the manufacture of beer and ale: malt expressed in terms of barley, 32,439,973 bushels; corn, 13,373,521 bushels; rice, 2,254,000; grape sugar or maltose, 51,334,621 pounds; glucose or sirup, 2,742,854 pounds.

The refuse from the breweries and distilleries has some feeding value for cattle. It is essential as thirty-five per cent of the whole grain.

INDIA WOULD SILENCE WOMAN WHO IS AGITATOR

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)
LONDON, June 23—Despatches from Bombay say that restrictions are being exercised by the authorities upon meetings and published statements of Annie Besant, English theosophist, Socialist and author, due to her agitation for home rule in India and her vilification of western nations.